

RESOLUTION 2010-_____

A RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO MOVE POLLING PLACES

This Resolution was introduced by Charlotte Mills, Clerk & Recorder; moved by Commissioner _____ and seconded by Commissioner _____. The Resolution was adopted _____.

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated, **13-3-105(1)**, allows the county governing body to change polling places no later than 30 days before the Primary Election, and in 2010 the deadline for the change is May 9, 2010; and

WHEREAS, each precinct has a chief judge, a provisional judge, and 3-4 regular judges; polling places that have more than one precinct can be re-staffed; a polling place manager (chief judge) can supervise more than one set of precinct judges resulting in consistency with the voting process; a provisional judge can service more than one precinct allowing for a better use of resources; and

WHEREAS, Gallatin County can be more selective in matching an election judge's skills to the position they serve, polling place managers and provisional judges can be given more detailed training, regular judges can be trained in less time with better results, and the voter will see more consistency in the voting process because the judges have been trained better; and

WHEREAS, the largest number of election judges required are regular judges, more election judges are willing to work half -day (8 hour shifts) not full-day (16 hour shifts), by moving and combining polling places Gallatin County will have more election judges available than the minimum number required to staff the polling places; and

WHEREAS, moving several polling places to ADA compliant facilities will allow Gallatin County to upgrade those polling places that cannot be moved; and

WHEREAS, Gallatin County can reduce the use of taxpayer dollars for election judge training costs and judge pay on Election Day, and labor costs for transporting heavy equipment and supplies to the polling places.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. A decision to designate new polling places for Precincts 4, 6, 19, 24, 25, 29, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45 as described in Exhibit A will be made in a public hearing Tuesday, January 26, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.
2. Notice of the public hearing describing the proposed polling locations shall be published in the Bozeman Daily Chronicle and the Belgrade News in accordance with Montana law.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2010

GALLATIN COUNTY COMMISSION

Joe P. Skinner, Chairman

ATTEST:

Charlotte Mills, Clerk & Recorder

DATE:_____

EXHIBIT A

Recommended Polling Place moves:

	From Location	To Location
Precinct 4	Anderson School 10040 Cottonwood Rd	Hope Lutheran Church 2152 W. Graf St.
Precinct 5	Zoot Enterprises 555 Zoot Enterprises Lane	Hope Lutheran Church 2152 W. Graf St.
Precinct 19	Riverside Country Club 2500 Springhill Rd.	Fairgrounds – Bldg #4 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 24	Northwestern Energy Bldg. 121 E. Griffin Dr.	Fairgrounds – Bldg #1 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 25	Morning Star School 830 Arnold St.	Hope Lutheran Church 2152 W. Graf St.
Precinct 29	Ridgeview Elementary 85 E. River Rock Rd.	Belgrade Special Events Center 225 Spooner Rd.
Precinct 40	Heritage Christian School 4310 Durston Rd.	Fairgrounds – Bldg #3 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 41	Hawthorne School 114 N. Rouse Av.	Fairgrounds – Bldg #1 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 43	Emily Dickinson School 2435 Annie	Fairgrounds – Bldg #2 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 44	Heritage Christian School 4310 Durston Rd.	Fairgrounds – Bldg #3 Tamarack & Black
Precinct 45	Emily Dickinson School 2435 Annie	Fairgrounds – Bldg #2 Tamarack & Black

BECAUSE OF PRECINCT CONSOLIDATION, POLLING PLACES FOR PRECINCTS 6, 22, 36, 39, AND 46 HAVE CHANGED.

Precinct 6 has been consolidated with Precinct 5. The polling place changes from the Fish, Wildlife, & Parks Bldg., 1400 S. 19 to the Hope Lutheran Church 2152 W. Graf St.

Precinct 22 has been consolidated with Precinct 23. The polling place changes from Sacajawea Middle School, 3525 S. Third Ave. to the 2nd Floor of Reno H. Sales Stadium.

Precinct 36 has been consolidated with Precinct 37. The polling place changes from the Emerson Cultural Center 111 S. Grand to the 3rd Floor of Reno H. Sales Stadium.

Precinct 39 has been consolidated with Precinct 38. The polling place changes from the USDA Complex, 3710 W. Fallon to the Fairgrounds Bldg. #1.

Each island of Precinct 46 has been consolidated with the Precinct in which it is located. The polling place for Precinct 46 has been the Fairgrounds Bldg. # 4, but the precinct ceases to exist.